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MC+ MANAGED CARE

The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage by the MC+ fee-for-service and Medicaid fee-for-service programs. The MC+ fee-for-service and Medicaid fee-for-service programs also provide coverage for those services carved out of the MC+ Managed Care benefit for MC+ Managed Care enrollees. Questions regarding services included in the MC+ Managed Care benefit should be directed to the enrollee's MC+ Managed Care health plan. Please check the patient's eligibility status prior to delivering a service.

REPLACEMENT CODES FOR BIRTHING CENTER FACILITY CHARGES

In Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) and Birthing Center Bulletin Volume 26, No. 1, dated October 7, 2003, the Missouri Medicaid maximum allowable amount shown for procedure code 5940956 is incorrect. Please refer to the following table for the correct reimbursement amount. The replacement codes are effective for dates of service on and after October 16, 2003 and must be billed with HCPCS modifier SG (Ambulatory surgical center [ASC] facility service).

| Deleted Code | Description | Replacement Code | Description | Maximum Allowable Amount |
|-----------------|--|---------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| X4033 | Birthing center facility charges, labor/ delivery | 59409 | Vaginal delivery only (with or without episiotomy and/or forceps) | \$750.00 |
| X4034 | Birthing center labor management with patient transfer prior to delivery | 5940956 | Vaginal delivery only (with or without episiotomy and/or forceps) - (preoperative management only) | \$285.00 |

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